



The Governor's Gazette

Marie Bashir Public School

Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 3, 2018	
5 September	School Spectacular Rehearsal
6 September	8:30am Chess
10 September	Opera House Performance (Choir and Dance Group)
13 September	8:30am Chess
20 September	8:30am Chess
25 September	Book Week Parade and Donate a Book Scheme
26 September	Prefect Nominations due
27 September	8:30am Chess
28 September	Last Day of School Term
Term 4, 2018	
15 October	Students and Staff commence
17 October	3-6 Assembly
18 October	Chess
22 October	School Sports Photos
24 October	K-2 Assembly
25 October	Chess
29 October	Albyn Road Pre School Visit
31 October	3-6 Assembly
3 November	Marie Bashir Public School Fair
5 November	Albyn Road Pre School Visit
7 November	K-2 Assembly
8 November	M'Arias (Music Recital)
9 November	Stage 1 Field Of Mars Excursion
14 November	3-6 Assembly
15 November	Stage 3 to Wakehurst Park
21 November	K-2 Assembly
22 November	Kindergarten Orientation
26 November	K-2 Principal's Morning Tea
27 November	3-6 Principal's Morning Tea
28 November	Perfect Speeches and elections Thank you Morning Tea for Parent Helpers
29 November	Kindergarten Orientation
3 December	Presentation Day
6 December	Year 6 Farewell
11 December	Principal's Morning Tea
18 December	Stewart House Concert
19 December	Term 4 Ends

Principal's Message

Congratulations to all our students and teachers for an outstanding Education Week Concert held on Thursday, 9 August, 2018. The performances were of a very high standard, demonstrating the quality of teaching and learning at Marie Bashir Public School. Thank you to all parents, grandparents and members of the community who joined us to celebrate student achievement.

Education Week provides us with the opportunity to shine the spotlight on our students, our educators and the community that support them.

Opera House Tickets

Our **choir** and **dance** group have been very busy preparing for the Granville Schools' Spectacular. They will be performing at the Opera House on Monday, 10 September. I look forward to this memorable event. If you have not purchased your tickets, these are available at the school office for \$46.00 per ticket.



Aussie of the Month August 2018

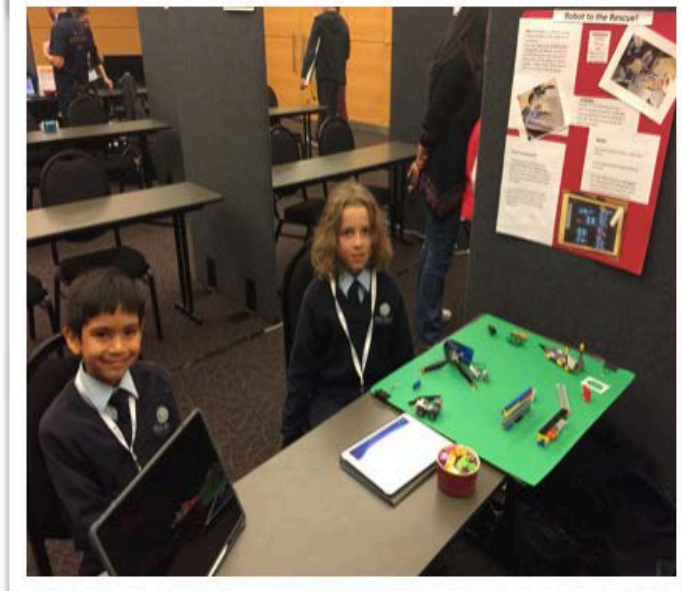
As part of the school's student welfare program, each month at a special assembly a student is named *Aussie of the Month* and presented with a certificate.

Our Aussie of the Month for August is Sabrina in 3B. Congratulations Sabrina!

Young ICT Explorers

On Saturday 11th August 2018, 10 students from Year 3 and 4 presented their projects to the judges at the Young ICT Explorers at the University of New South Wales. The students presented their ideas such as a sustainable house, a minecraft sustainable suburb and a robotic earthquake saving machine. These three teams were placed in the top 12 for their division and were inspired by other projects that were showcased.

All students in Year 3 -6 who are interested in participating in the 2019 Young ICT Explorers are encouraged to speak to Miss Ponto to ensure that they have a year on developing their idea for next year!



Fiver for a Farmer

On Monday 13 August, the students participated in a state wide fundraiser for farmers affected by the drought. Thank you to all students who came dressed as a farmer and donated \$5. The School raised \$1665.00



Mind Marathon

Congratulations to our student representatives who attended Mind Marathon with Mrs Hetherington.



Year 1 Incursion

On Monday 20 August, a group of first and second year medical students from the University of Notre Dame Sydney who have an interest in child wellbeing and health, ran a very successful Teddy Bear Program for Year 1 students. During the one hour session students learnt about:

- Equipment doctors commonly use
- Bandages and broken bones
- Major organs of the body and what they do
- The importance of healthy eating and physical exercise
- Emergency scenarios, reinforcing the response of calling emergency services "000"



Music Aviva- Teranga

West African ensemble Teranga transported our students to a world of poetic, rhythmic storytelling, where tales of small village life became metaphors for how we live today.



Parent Survey

This Term, our school will be participating in the Partners in Learning parent survey, another part of the Tell Them From Me suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online on smartphones, ipads, tablets, laptops or computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between **29 August** and **21st September**. Although participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, your responses are very much appreciated. More information about the survey is available at: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au>. To access the survey for our school go to: <https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/mbps18>.

Canteen News

Thank you to our dedicated parent volunteers who have given up their Fridays to work in the canteen. We have fundraised over \$10 000.00. As a result, the school will be purchasing 12 laptops to go into the classrooms. We look forward to the students benefiting from them.

Teranga got the children up on their feet with their high energy show using percussion-based instruments.

Kindergarten Enrolments 2019

I encourage parents of children who will be starting **Kindergarten in 2019** to submit an enrolment form as soon as possible as Kindergarten orientation packages will be posted shortly. Parents will be asked to attend two information sessions. If you would like an enrolment form they are available from the school office or online from the DEC website. To be eligible to start school, children must turn 5 on or before 31 July, 2019.

Lucas Gardens

Each Tuesday, the students from Lucas Gardens join our students during Art. Students have been enjoying learning about Aboriginal Art. The Art program is being funded by the Packer Family and Crown resorts Grant. We thank the P & C for their contribution to this initiative as well as our dedicated art teacher Miss Choi.



K-2 Athletics Carnival and Years 3-6 Athletics

Congratulations to all students who participated in the K-2 and 3-6 athletics carnivals. Both events were exciting experiences for our students. Students demonstrated good sportsmanship and athletic skills. A special thank you is extended to our teachers who organised the carnivals as well as parent volunteers who gave up their time to ensure the day ran smoothly.



Carnival Zone Cross Country

Congratulations to the following students for participating in the zone athletics carnival:

Dhilan	Jade	Sungeun
Winston	Jiwoo	Anngshu
Sione	Danya	
Mohammed	Rayan	
Jake	Hannah	
Ivan	Hyejeong	
Leo	Kiera	
Eashan	Jane	
Liam	Sarah	
Zayd	Sunny	
Mohammed	Danya	
Daniel	Hyejeong	
Alvin	Milana	
Samuel	Sunny	
Toby	Halima	
	Sesilia	

Congratulations to Kiera and Halima who will be representing the Zone at the Sydney East PSSA Athletics Carnival for coming third in the shot put Well Done!

Tobruk Sheep Station

Stage 2 visited Tobruk Sheep Station on Wednesday 29 August. During the day, the students watched a stockman on horseback, a whip cracking demonstration, ate damper around a campfire and watched a sheep sheering demonstration.



Softball

This term years 3 to year 6 have been participating in a 5 week softball coaching program. These sessions have been productive in upskilling the students in throwing, catching and striking as well as playing a game of softball. The sessions have been conducted by the 'GECKOSPORTS' coaches.



Father's Day Stall

Thank you to the Marie Bashir Parents and Citizens association as well as parent volunteers who organised the Father's Day Stall on Thursday 30 August. Your valuable time and contributions are appreciated. I wish all Father's and Grandfather's a very Happy Father's Day for Sunday 2 September.



Book Week Parade & Donate a Book Scheme

Marie Bashir Public School will be celebrating Book Week on **Tuesday, 25 September, 2018**. The theme for this year's book week is **Find Your Treasure**. All students from Kindergarten to Year 6 will be participating in a book parade at 10am in the Auditorium.

On this special day, students are asked to come dressed as their favourite character from a book. Ask your children about their favourite book. We are encouraging children to use items to wear that they have at home. Looking forward to seeing everyone dressed up at the parade! Families are invited to come and watch the parade.



The School will also be conducting a 'Donate a Book Scheme' in the library so we encourage as many parents as possible to visit the library with their child to select a book to purchase to donate to the school. The cost to purchase 1 book is \$20.00 or 2 for \$30.00. We will only be accepting cash.

The library will be open on 25-27 September from 8:30am-9:25am and 3pm -4pm.
On 25 September the library will be open all day from 8:30am-4pm.

Parents are also invited to purchase books for their children from the Ashton Scholastics Book Fair to be held in the library.

Ms Attard
Principal

Mrs Scully
School Librarian

Not Returning To Marie Bashir Public School In 2019

We are now starting to consider the arrangement of classes for 2019. As you would be aware, schools are staffed according to the number of children who enrol at the beginning of each year. To assist in our planning, we need to know of any children currently in K to Year 5 who will **not be returning in 2019**. If you know your child will not be at Marie Bashir Public School next year, would you please complete the form below and return it to school as soon as possible.

Please note that if your child will be returning to school after the first day of term (i.e. Tuesday, 29 January 2019) you will also need to notify the school in writing otherwise your child cannot be allocated to a class.

Thank you for your support.

Regards,

Jacqui Attard

Principal



**ONLY RETURN THIS NOTE IF YOUR CHILD WILL NOT BE ATTENDING MARIE BASHIR
PUBLIC SCHOOL IN 2019**

Child's Name: _____

2018 Class: _____

My child will be enrolling in another school and not returning to Marie Bashir Public School in 2019.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

The *Tell Them From Me* parent feedback survey (Term 3, 2018)

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Miss Kim
Organising Teacher

FREE child car seat safety check



2 in 3 car seats are not being used properly

Make sure your child is safe with a free inspection by Authorised Restraint Fitters. You can have your child car seats, harnesses and booster seats checked for safety and fit.

DATE: Saturday 8 September 2018
TIME: 9am – 3pm
LOCATION: Strathfield Library
65-67 Rochester St
Homebush

Bookings Essential. Register Now.
For more information contact the Council's Road Safety Officer on (02) 9748 9605.